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In re Application of:	)
Gerald W. FISCHER et al.	) Group Art Unit: 1645
Application No.: 09/893,615	) Examiner: V. Portner
Filed: June 29, 2001	) )
For: Opsonic and Protective Monoclonal and Chimeric Antibodies Specific for Lipoteichoic Acid of Gram Positive Bacteria	) ) ) )
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450	

Sir:

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits after filing an RCE under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicants note that U.S. Patent Application 2002/0082395, listed on the enclosed PCT International Search Report, was already submitted to the Office in a prior Information Disclosure Statement in the instant application. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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